

PATENT APPLICATION
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

APPLICATION OF) GROUP: 1754
GÜNTHER LINDE ET AL)
SERIAL NO.: 09/646,450) EXAMINER: STEVEN J. BOS
FILED: SEPTEMBER 14, 2000)
TITLE: COMPACTED CARBON BLACK PELLETS)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(A)

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
Sir:

Appellants, by the undersigned attorney, respectfully petition the Commissioner for Patents under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for filing their response so that the APPEAL BRIEF filed simultaneously with this Petition will be considered timely filed.

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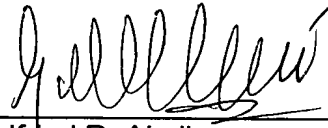
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